GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTRES
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) The Vocational Rehabilitation Centres functioning in the country as on date, location-wise;

(b) The main purpose of these centres;

(c) The assistance being provided by the Government to these centres;

(d) Whether the Government has prepared new programmes for mentally and physically handicapped persons; and

(e) If so, the details therof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a)Seventeen Vocational Rehabilitation Centres(VRCs) for the Handicapped are functioning in the country, one each at Agartala, Ahmedabad, Bhubaneswar, Bangalore, Chennai, Guwahati, Hyderabad, Jabalpur, Jaipur, Kolkota, Kanpur, Ludhiana, Mumbai, Delhi, Patna, Thiruvananthapuram and Vadodara.

(b)These Centres evaluate the residual capacities of the Handicapped, provide adjustment training and facilitate their economic rehabilitation through jobs, self employment etc.

(c)Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of India under which these centres are functioning have made an allocation of Rs.8.8 crores for the financial year 2005-06 for these centres.

(d)No, Sir.

(e)Does not arise.